

REMARKS

Applicant has amended the claims as identified by the Examiner to present allowable claims. Claims 10-13, 15-18, 25, 27, 36, 42, 44-47, 51-62, and 69-74 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 37-40 and 42 have been amended. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments.

Examiner Interview

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the interview on November 15, 2005, in which the Examiner stated the claim 58 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Bender et al., US Patent No. 6,366,561 and Garret et al., US Patent No. 2002/0038419 and claim 52 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Bender in view of Chuah, US Patent No. 6,801,509.

103(a) Claim Rejections and Claim Objections

Applicant's claims 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 36, 38, 40, 55, 56, and 58-62 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Bender et al., US Patent No. 6,366,561 and Garret et al., US Patent No. 2002/0038419. Applicant does not admit that either Bender or Garrett is prior art and reserves the right to swear behind either reference at a later date. Furthermore, Applicant's claims 11, 13, 16-18, 25, 27, 36, 37, 42, 44, 50-55, 57, 59 and 69-74 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Bender in view of Chuah, US Patent No. 6,801,509. Applicant does not admit that Chuah is prior art and reserves the right to swear behind the reference at a later date. Finally, Applicant disagrees with the rejection of the claims and reserves the right to pursue the claims in a continuation.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claim 39 contains allowable subject matter if rewritten to include all the limitations of the claims from which they each originally depended. Claims 37-40 have been so amended. In view of these amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 37-40 are now in condition for allowance, and request allowance of said claims.

In addition, Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 19-21, 23, 24, 26, 28-30, 32, 34, 35, 42, 43, 48-50, 63-68, and 75-77.

CONCLUSION

Claims 37-40 are pending. In addition, claims 19-21, 23-30, 32, 34, 35, 42-44, 48-54, and 63-77 have been determined to be allowable. In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Eric Replogle at (408) 720-8300 x258.

Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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